

***Unison Prayer of Dedication:**

Gracious God, you provide for our every need. Confident in your steadfast faithfulness, we offer our treasures and ourselves to you. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Maureen St. John, Roxanne Somers, Meg Yanefski, Damian, Marjorie, David, Doug Hoffman, Erin Fitzpatrick, Jason Russell, Jenn, Dan Dalesandro, Jennifer Martin, Maisy, Debbie Kelly, Susan Somers, The Family of Marietta, James Hoobler, Barbara, Geoff Hicks, Misty Acrey, The Freitag Family, Butch Hahn, Catherine, The Family of Andy Prieto, The Family of Sue LaPierre, The Langlois Family, Patty Christopher, Rev. Michele Allen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn No. 58** "When Israel Was Going Forth"

Benediction

***Benediction Hymn No. 702** "Christ Be Beside Me" (verse 1)

"Christ be beside me; Christ be before me; Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me; Christ be below me; Christ be above me, never to part."

Postlude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" - arr. Sims

***** Please stand as you are able. *****

Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Ushers	Mike Ballard & Darlene Powell
Liturgist	Patty Januszewski

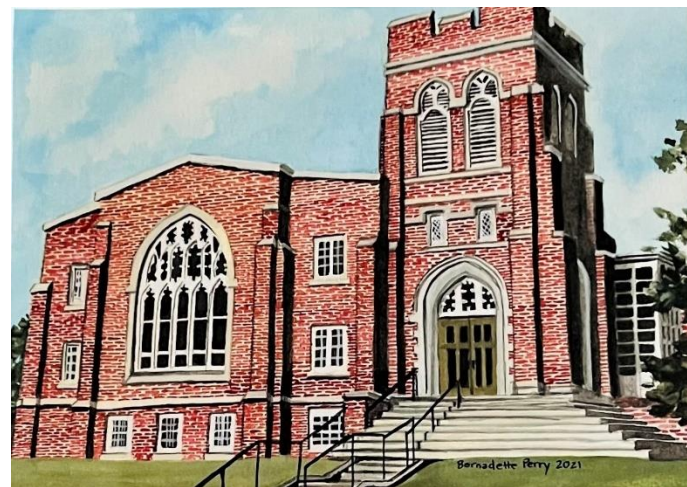


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10 AM Worship Service ❖ September 17, 2023
16th Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

Though our feelings come and go, God's love for us does not. - *C.S Lewis*

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" - *arr. Sedio*

Call to Worship (*Psalm 106: 7-12*)

One: Our ancestors, when they were in Egypt, did not consider your wonderful works; they did not remember the abundance of your steadfast love, but rebelled against the Most High at the Red Sea.

All: Yet he saved them for his name's sake, so that he might make known his mighty power. He rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry; he led them through the deep as through a desert.

One: So he saved them from the hand of the foe, and delivered them from the hand of the enemy. The waters covered their adversaries; not one of them was left.

All: Then they believed his words; they sang his praise.

***Hymn No. 32** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Prayer of Confession

One: The Pharaoh decrees death to the foreigner. The power of fear and hate rage surround us.

**All: In the face of evil
Forgive us our complacency.**

One: The burning bush flickers beside us. The presence of God invites us.

All: In the presence of the holy Forgive us our lack of notice.

One: The Red Sea waters stand at attention. The threshold of grace is breath-taking.

All: In the company of grace Forgive us our reticence to embrace.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (*adapted from Isaiah 1:18*)

One: Friends, the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Receive the gift of forgiveness and share that gift with others.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***Hymn No. 581** "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you. **All: And also, with you.**

Anthem: "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" - *arr. Portman*
Sanctuary Choir

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Romans 14: 1-12* **New Testament** pg. 163 **LP** pg. 198

2nd Reading: *Exodus 14: 19-31* **Old Testament** pg. 61 **LP** pg. 76

Sermon "Great Works of Salvation" - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

*Affirmation of Faith (*Heidelberg Catechism*)

One: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

All: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

Moment for Mission: Elaine Scheetz, *Peace & Global Offerings*

Offertory Hymn: "When Israel Was Going Forth" - *arr. Wood*

***Doxology No. 606** "Praise God...All Blessings Flow"

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."